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MEMORANDUM REPORT
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ORIGIN Field	OFFICE New Orleans, La.	FILE NO. CO-2-34,030
TYPE OF CASE: Protective Research	STATUS: Closed - New Orleans	TITLE OR CAPTION: Lee Harvey Oswald Assassination of President John F. Kennedy
INVESTIGATION MADE AT: New Orleans, Louisiana	PERIOD COVERED: July 17 - 21, 1964	
INVESTIGATION MADE BY: SAIC John W. Rice; SA's Roger D. Counts, Frank L. Farnsworth, and Anthony E. Gerrets		

DETAILS

SYNOPSIS

At the request of Mr. James Leibeler, Attorney for the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy, the various witnesses mentioned in the body of this report were contacted and advised that Mr. Leibeler would be in New Orleans on Tuesday, July 21, 1964, to interview them and that it was desired that they present themselves at the office of the United States Attorney, New Orleans, on that date for interview by Mr. Leibeler. Carlos Bringuier advised that he was leaving for Miami to bring certain members of his family to New Orleans; that he would be in Miami until approximately the end of July and therefore would not be in New Orleans on July 21. Subpoenas were served on Mr. Dean A. Andrews, Jr., Attorney, and on Mr. Orestes Pena, Habana Bar, 117 Decatur Street, New Orleans, as per Mr. Leibeler's request. Mr. Leibeler was in New Orleans on July 21, 1964, and did interview the above-mentioned witnesses. No further action being taken at this time, the case is considered closed at New Orleans.

DETAILS OF INVESTIGATION

Reference is made to previous reports submitted in this case.

At approximately 9:00 A. M. on 7-17-64 a telephone call was received by SAIC Rice from Mr. James Leibeler, Attorney for the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy, advising that he would be in New Orleans on 7-21-64 for the purpose of interviewing the following witnesses:

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Chief - Attn. Insp. Kelley	Orig. & 2 cc	Anthony E. Gerrets SPECIAL AGENT Anthony E. Gerrets	7-23-64
New Orleans	1 cc	APPROVED John W. Rice SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE John W. Rice	DATE 7-23-64

Orestes Pena, Habana Bar, 117 Decatur St., New Orleans
Dean Andrews, Jr., Attorney, New Orleans
Ruperto Pena, Habana Bar, 117 Decatur St., New Orleans
Evarista Rodriguez, 1239 Chartres St., New Orleans - Bartender, Habana Bar
Eric Rogers, 2439 Dante St., New Orleans
Carlos Bringuier, 501 Adele St., New Orleans

Mr. Leibeler informed SAIC Rice that he was forwarding, via special air mail, subpoenas to be served on Attorney Dean Andrews, Jr., and on Orestes Pena and that arrangements had been made with the Postal Inspection Service for delivery of the letter containing such subpoenas to SAIC Rice at New Orleans, La. With the assistance and cooperation of Postal Inspector C. W. Campbell, New Orleans, the letter containing the mentioned subpoenas was received by SAIC Rice at 8:15 P. M. on 7-17-64 at Moisant Airport, New Orleans.

The subpoena for Attorney Dean Andrews, Jr., was served on him by SAIC Rice and SA Counts, at his home at 207 Metairie Lawn Drive, Metairie, La., on the night of 7-17-64. Likewise, the subpoena for Orestes Pena was served on him at the Habana Bar, 117 Decatur St., New Orleans, on the night of 7-17-64 by SAIC Rice and SA Counts.

SA Frank L. Farnsworth contacted Eric Rogers at his home at 2439 Dante St., New Orleans, on 7-17-64 and informed him of the necessity of his presenting himself at the U. S. Attorney's Office, New Orleans, at 12:00 noon on 7-21-64 for interview by Mr. Leibeler.

Ruperto Pena and Evarista Rodriguez were contacted by SAIC Rice and informed of the necessity of their presenting themselves at the U. S. Attorney's Office, New Orleans, at 11:00 A. M. and 1:00 P. M., respectively, on 7-21-64 for interview by Mr. Leibeler.

Carlos Bringuier, 501 Adele St., New Orleans, was contacted by SAIC Rice and informed of the fact that Mr. Leibeler was desirous of interviewing him at New Orleans on 7-21-64. However, Mr. Bringuier stated that he was leaving for Miami for the purpose of bringing certain members of his family to New Orleans; that he would be in Miami until approximately the end of July; therefore, he would not be in New Orleans on 7-21-64 for interview by Mr. Leibeler. SAIC Rice placed a call to Mr. Leibeler at his Washington office and, in his absence, informed Miss Jean Hauer, Secretary, that Carlos Bringuier would not be available for interview at New Orleans on 7-21-64 for the above-mentioned reasons. In a subsequent telephone conversation between SAIC Rice and Mr. Leibeler on the evening of 7-18-64, Mr. Leibeler stated that under the circumstances, no special efforts should be made to prevail on Carlos Bringuier to remain in New Orleans for interview on 7-21-64.

On 7-21-64 reporting agent was on duty at the U. S. Attorney's Office, New Orleans, on a stand-by basis to render such assistance as was necessary to Mr. Leibeler on such matters as needed attention from time to time. All of the witnesses, with the exception of Carlos Bringuier, presented themselves at the U. S. Attorney's Office at the time specified for them and were interviewed by Mr. Leibeler.

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DISPOSITION

No further action being necessary at this time, the case is considered closed at New Orleans.

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